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### LEAVE.

Sapper N. S. Moses is granted leave  
of absence from 11.3.16 to 31.3.16.  
REMARKS—  
Pte. L. Gill is permitted to resign, on  
leaving the Corps, dated 29.2.16.  
Pte. A. J. McIntosh is permitted to  
resign, on leaving the Corps, dated  
23.16.

### TRANSFERS.

Sapper A. Williams from Engineer Co.  
to Civil Service Company, dated 10.3.16.

### PARADES.

Parades for Saturday, 11th inst.—  
7.30 a.m.—Members of Signalling  
Section and other Signallers, as detailed, in  
Signalling Section order dated 8.12.15—  
Morse flag and Heliograph practice at  
Headquarters.

2.30 p.m.—Mistery (Part I only) at  
King's Park Range, as detailed in Corps  
Order No. 3 dated 6.3.16.—One member  
of the Signalling Section will be required  
for telephone duty.

Parades for Tuesday, 14th inst.—

5.15 p.m.—Centre Section M.G. Co.—  
Inspection of arms, ammunition, equip-  
ment and uniform at Kowloon Barracks.  
5.15 p.m.—Scouts Co.—Parade outside  
Law Courts and proceed to Happy Valley  
by tram for Company drill.

Remainder—The same as this week.

### DETAIL.

On duty until morning of 11th inst.—  
H.K.V.R.

### NEXT PARADE.

March 17th, Right Section M.G. Co.  
March 18th, No. 2 Section Art. Batty.  
March 19th, Scouts Company.  
March 20th, Scouts Company.  
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March 30th, Scouts Company.  
March 31st, Civil Service Company.  
April 1st, No. 1 Section Art. Batty.  
April 2nd, Left Section M.G. Co.  
April 3rd, Right Section M.G. Co.  
April 4th, No. 2 Section Art. Batty.  
April 5th, Scouts Company.  
April 6th, Scouts Company.  
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March: Lieut. C. Smith.

## HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

A number of men have absented them-  
selves from Police Parade without leave.  
They will be dealt with as defaulters after the  
Competition.  
Team Competitors will parade under the  
D.S.P. at Central Station at 3.0 p.m. on  
Saturday, March 11th, for their traction as to  
this event.

### PEAK POLICE.

N.B.—Police Numbers in brackets.  
Monday, March 13th.—No. 1 Co. (1)  
and No. 2 Co. (1) at Central.  
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Tuesday, March 14th.—No. 1 Co. (3 and  
4) at Central. No. 2 Co. (3) at St.  
Joseph's College.  
Wednesday, March 15th.—No. 3 Co. (2)  
and No. 2 Co. (4) at Central.  
Thursday, March 16th.—No. 1 Co. (1)  
and No. 3 Co. (1) at Central.  
Friday, March 17th.—No. 3 Co. (3 and  
4) at Central.

### NOTICE.

Sunday, March 12th.—All members will  
report in uniform to the Riding Master at  
the Stable at 4 p.m. sharp.  
All applications for leave &c. &c. must  
be made to the Riding Master (Tel. 208)  
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## THE WAR.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

## THE STRUGGLE ON THE MEUSE.

## GENERAL SUCCESS OF THE FRENCH.

Paris, Mar. 10.

To-day's official announcement says:—

West of the Meuse the Germans last night made several attempts to repair their failure of yesterday.

Two attacks preceded by an intense bombardment against Bethincourt, were stopped by the French curtain of fire.

The Germans were unable to debouch from Corbeaux Woods.

Renewed German efforts failed to dislodge us from a wide tract which we recaptured and are consolidating.

An obstinate struggle continued East of the Meuse between Domment and Vanx. The Germans made several attacks with large forces against our entrenched positions, but were completely repulsed despite their intense artillery preparation and the violence of their assaults.

Some elements of German infantry momentarily penetrated Vanx, but were driven out by a bayonet charge.

There has been intermittent bombardment at Woivre.

The French made a "clever little coup de main" at Dols-Préville, taking a number of prisoners.

The French bombardment in Argonne continues.

## EIGHTEENTH DAY OF THE BATTLE.

## FRENCH GAIN MOST VALUABLE GROUND.

Paris, Mar. 10.

A semi-official statement says:—

The eighteenth day of the battle is favourable to us.

We have gained most valuable ground north of Verdun bringing our line through Bethincourt and Corbeaux Wood, northward of Cumieres and Oie Hill, thus establishing new positions northward of the solid lines from Mort Homme to south of Cumieres, improving the position of the whole sector.

The complete defeat of two violent German assaults at Bethincourt and Domment was a severe check for the enemy.

The engagement at Haudumont has been fluctuating up to the present. Anyhow, this is a trivial episode in the great battle.

GERMAN CLAIMS DENIED.

The German claim to have captured thousands of prisoners and ten guns in the region of Domment is denied. It is stated that only 600 troops and some trench engines were lost.

## ARMENIAN MASSACRE AT ERZERUM.

Petrograd, Mar. 10.

There were 40,000 Armenians in Erzerum before the capture of the city. Only 10 were found alive when the Russians entered. The others had been driven out before the fall of the fortress and massacred by Kurds.

## GERMAN PRISONERS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

London, Mar. 10.

Mr. Tennant in the House of Commons stated that there are 18,821 German prisoners in Great Britain, and 82,181 interned aliens.

## MR. CHAMBERLAIN INDISPOSED.

London, Mar. 10.

Mr. Chamberlain is suffering from influenza and is unable to keep his usual engagements for a few days.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

## GERMAN FLEET EMERGES INTO THE NORTH SEA.

FIFTY BIG WARSHIPS AND OTHER CRAFT SIGHTED.

Amsterdam, March 9.

A trawler which has arrived at Ymuiden reports that on Monday afternoon it sighted off Terschelling (in the North Sea) at least fifty big German warships, a large fleet of armed trawlers, two Zeppelins, and numerous submarines travelling westward. Five large cruisers of unknown nationality passed Ymuiden at five on Monday morning steaming at full speed.

[Sufficient time has elapsed to have heard more about this fleet if it had continued on its westward course.—Ed.]

## FRENCH RECAPTURE LOST TRENCHES IN CHAMPAIGNE.

NO CHANGE AT VERDUN.

London, March 9.

A French official announcement states:—

There is no change north of Verdun. The bombardment has continued westward of the Meuse, but no infantry attack was attempted. The French batteries are replying vigorously both westward and eastward of the Meuse. There has been lively artillery activity in Woivre, the French-bombarding Blanzac, Grimaucourt and Fresnois. A German attack on the railway and Machoulles was smashed by artillery and infantry fire.

The French attacked eastward of Maisons-de-Champagne, and won back the trenches seized by the Germans on the 6th. They also took a number of prisoners, and repulsed a German counter-attack. The French batteries are bombarding German motor-transport in Argonne.

## TRENCH-MORTAR FIGHTING.

London, March 9.

A communique states:—

Near Gray there has been trench-mortar fighting, during which we considerably damaged the enemy's defences. Yesterday the enemy sprang a mine near the Ypres-Commines railway, but no damage was done. Today our artillery bombarded the vicinity. By exploding a mine east of Laventie we interrupted the enemy's mining. The enemy shelled our position east of Vermelles.

## UNSUCCESSFUL GERMAN ATTACKS.

FRENCH REGAIN MORE LOST TERRITORY.

Paris, March 9.

A communique states:—

The enemy west of the Meuse attempted to re-advance under cover of an intense bombardment. His attack, which was made with great strength against Bethincourt, was repulsed.

A French counter-attack in Corbeaux Wood, which the Germans penetrated on Tuesday, ejected the enemy from the greater part of the wood, of which the Germans now hold only the eastern extremity.

The bombardment on the right bank of the Meuse was again most intense in the region of Domment, where the Germans unsuccessfully attempted to attack our lines east of the fort. An enemy infantry attack recaptured the Haudumont Redoubt which we captured on Tuesday.

There has been a severe cannonade in Woivre. Our batteries on the heights of the Meuse are vigorously replying to the German artillery.

A bomb attack in Upper Alsace regained us trenches east of Seppois which the Germans occupied on February 12th.

We destructively bombarded enemy works north of the Aisne, in Argonne.

## FRENCH AIR BOMBARDMENTS.

Sixteen French aeroplanes dropped 124 bombs on a station on the Metz-Sablon railway, hitting trains. A German squadron tried to pursue, but the French machines returned to the starting point with the exception of one, which was compelled to land on account of engine trouble.

## RUSSIANS STILL PURSUING TURKS.

Petrograd, March 9.

A communique states:—

We continue to drive the Turks beyond Mapayri. We have occupied Cila, which is twenty-seven miles westward of Kermanshah and a hundred from Bagdad.

## RUSSIAN PROGRESS IN ASIA MINOR.

Petrograd, March 9.

A communique states that in Asia Minor the Russians have captured Rish. It also mentions that on the 6th inst. in Persia, the Russians occupied Seneh, which is fifty versts north of Kermanshah.

## WITHDRAWING GERMAN FROM MACEDONIA.

Paris, March 9.

A Salonika telegram states that numerous German effectives are being hurriedly withdrawn from Macedonia.

## LORD CURZON.

London, March 9.

Lord Curzon, who sustained a broken arm, has undergone an operation.

## NAVAL DEBATE IN THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

MR. BAUFOR REPLIES TO MR. CHURCHILL.

London, March 8.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Baufour, First Lord of the Admiralty, replied to Mr. Churchill, saying that his speech was very unfortunate both in form and substance. He re-affirmed that the Admiralty policy of construction compared most favourably with anything ever accomplished, and pointed out, caustically, that under Mr. Churchill's regime skilled shipwrights were allowed to enlist, and that Mr. Churchill used the guns and gun-mountings destined for dreadnoughts for monitors. Nevertheless, the Fleet was more powerful than in Mr. Churchill's time, and would become stronger every month.

Mr. Baufour concluded by remarking that he had listened to Mr. Churchill's suggestion to recall Lord Fisher with profound stupefaction. He paid a warm tribute to Admiral Sir. Henry Jackson, and declared that he would hold himself to be contemptible if he yielded to the demand for Sir. Henry Jackson's removal.

Mr. Churchill rose immediately, and asserted that he had tried to improve the country with the necessity for construction to be continued at the highest speed; and in order that a note of warning should be sounded.

## LORD FISHER ATTENDS WAR COUNCIL.

London, March 8.

Lord Fisher attended a meeting of the War Council.

## MORE AIR-RAID VICTIMS.

London, March 9.

Five more persons who were injured in the air-raid have died. It is now ascertained that 23 persons were injured.

## GERMAN CLAIMS.

London, March 9.

A German communique claims the capture of 58 officers, 3,277 men, ten guns and much war material at Forges and Requierville, and of 11 officers, 700 men and a few machine guns at Fresnois.

## LOSS OF THE "PERSIA."

NOT TO BE INVESTIGATED.

London, March 9.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Runciman said that the Board of Trade had decided not to investigate the loss of the Persia.

## GERMANY'S SUBMARINE WARFARE.

ANOTHER GERMAN NOTE TO AMERICA.

Washington, March 8.

Count Bernstorff has handed Mr. Lansing another long submarine memorandum. It is understood that this complains that Great Britain is taking advantage of American attitude to construct armed merchantmen to act offensively towards submarines.

Count Bernstorff admits that International Law does not provide for the use of submarines, and offers to operate them on the basis of International Law existing before the war if Great Britain will also respect those laws.

## THE "NELLORE."

FIRE EXTINGUISHED AND VESSEL BEACHED.

London, March 9.

The fire on the P. and O. Nellore is being got under.

Lloyd's agent at Malu reports that the Nellore has been scuttled and beached at Silems Creek, and that the fire has been extinguished.

## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(Wah Tei Yeh Po's Service.)

UNEASINESS IN HUNAN.

Peking, Mar. 10.

After three telegrams received from Hunan the Government has ordered a regiment from Shanghai to be stationed there.

## NEW TAXATION.

Peking, Mar. 10.

The Ministry of Commerce proposes that taxes on tea, tobacco and wine and also on luxuries such as powders, perfumes, etc., shall be increased.

## THE YUNNAN REVOLT.

Peking, Mar. 10.

Lung Kung Kwong, the military commissioner in Canton, now commanding a force advancing to Yunnan, has reported that his troops have occupied Miao (on Yunnan border of Kwangsi) and are now marching in two columns, one to attack Mengzi, and the other to move on Begon.

## GERMAN PASTORS' FRIGHTFULNESS.

THE PULPIT AN AGENT OF MILITARISM.

"IT IS OUR DUTY TO CRUCIFY HUMANITY."

One of the puzzles of the war has been the attitude of the German clergy, which has throughout made itself at once the mouthpiece and the inspirer of the ultra-militarist party, and out-heroded Herod in its advocacy of the most un-Christian forms of Kultur. An attempt has been made in some quarters to make us believe that the accusations levelled against German preachers in this respect are exaggerated and based on misleading reports, but the extracts from sermons recently preached in Germany which the Rev. W. Burgess, of Rome, superintendent of Wesleyan Methodist missions in Italy, has contributed to the "Methodist Times" show that there are the best reasons for the worst things that have been said about German ministers of religion; at the same time they do not help us to a solution of the riddle.

We reprint the extracts in full:—

"U SATUS DIVINE INSTRUMENTA."

Pastor Koebel, speaking in the great Lutheran church in Leipzig, said:—

"It is this deep consciousness of our mission that permits us to congratulate ourselves, and rest content with a heart full of gratitude, when our eyes have seen the children of Satan, and when our most venomous submarines—instruments to execute the Divine vengeance—send to the bottom of the sea thousands of the non-elect."

We must fight the wicked with every means in our power; their sufferings should give us pleasure; their cries of despair should not move German hearts. There ought to be no compromise with hell, no mercy for the servants of Satan—in other words, no pity for the English, French, and Russians, nor indeed for any nation that has sold itself to the devil. They have all been condemned to death by a Divine decree."

Professor Reinhold Seeby, who teaches theology in the Berlin University, preaching in the cathedral of the city, said:—

"We do not hate our enemies. We obey the command of God, who tells us to love them. But we believe that in killing them, in putting them to suffering, in burning their houses, in invading their territories, we simply perform a work of charity. Divine love is seen everywhere in the world, but men have to suffer for their salvation. Human parents love their children, yet they chastise them. Germany loves other nations, and when she punishes them it is for their good."

GERMANY THE INSTRUMENT OF HEAVEN.

Pastor Fritz Philipp, of Berlin, from his Protestant pulpit, among other things, said:—

"As the Almighty saved His Son to be crucified, the scheme of redemption might be accomplished, so Germany is destined to crucify humanity in order that its salvation may be secured. The human race can only be saved by blood, by fire, and sword. German warriors do not shed blood with light hearts. They look upon it as a sacred duty imposed on them; a duty they cannot neglect without committing sin. Our beloved Emperor hates the horrors of war. Through long years he laboured to maintain the peace of the world. Germany never is content to let the independence of any nation. It is really because we are pure that we have been chosen by the Almighty as His instruments, to punish the wicked, to chastise the wicked, and to slay with the sword sinful nations."

"The Divine mission of Germany, oh, brethren! is to crucify humanity; the duty of German soldiers, therefore, is to strike without mercy. They must kill, burn, and destroy; by half measures would be wicked. Let it, then, be a war without pity. The immoral and the friends and allies of Satan must be destroyed, as an evil plant is uprooted."

"Satan himself, who has come into the world in the form of a great Power (England), must be crushed. On Germany is laid the Divine command to bring about the destruction of those who are the personification of evil. When this work is finished, fire and sword will not have been used in vain. The redemption of humanity will be achieved. The kingdom of righteousness will be established in the earth, and the German Empire, which will have created it, will remain its protector."

A notable epoch in the advance of the Italian steamship interests is marked by the successful launching of the Dandolo, of the Navigazione Generale Italiana. This vessel, which will shortly be placed on the service, is the largest and the most luxuriously appointed liner plying between Europe and South America.

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## HONGKONG CLUB.

## NOTICE.

THE THIRTIETH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG CLUB will be held in the Club House, on MONDAY, the 27th March, 1916, at 8.30 P.M.

By Order, E. DES VŒUX, Secretary.

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THE TWENTY-NINTH HALF YEARLY MEETING of the HONGKONG CLUB, PAYABLE on FRIDAY, the 21st March, will be held in the Club House at 11 o'clock A.M. on FRIDAY, the 24th March, 1916.

Bewarers of Debitors are invited to attend the Drawing.

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